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Remarks

Applicant thanks the Examiner for the thorough examination of the subject application.

In the subject election/restriction requirement, the Examiner has required the restriction of the application to one of the following groups of claims:

Group I: Claims 1-5 Group II: Claims 6-7 Group III: Claims 8-9 Group IV: Claims 10-11 Group V: Claims 12-15 Group VI: Claims 16 Group VII: Claims 17-18 Group VIII: Claims 19-20 Group IX: Claims 21-23

Applicant herein elects, without traverse, the invention of Group I, including claims 1-5 for prosecution. Consistent with this election, Applicant has herein cancelled the non-elected claims (namely claims 6-23). However, Applicant respectfully submits that in canceling the non-elected claims, the Applicant is not representing that the non-elected claims are unpatentable, and is only taking this course of action in an effort to advance prosecution. As such, Applicant reserves the right to pursue the non-elected and cancelled claims in one or more divisional applications.

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This response is not believed to necessitate any additional fees. However, in the event that additional fees are due, please charge or credit any refund to our Deposit Account No. 50-2324 referencing Attorney Docket No. 103580.00025.

Respectfully Submitted,

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